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Hongkong, February 19, 1885. 290

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NOTICE.

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DAVID SASSOON & Co.,
Bombay, February 4, 1885. 338

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Commissariat & Transport Office, 28th February, 1885. 360

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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 28, 1885. 347

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 23, 1884. 715

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Hongkong, July 25, 1884.

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TUNG HING,
Tailor, Central District.

Hongkong, February 18, 1885. 280

NOTICE

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

D. GILLIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, February 24, 1885. 321

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Hongkong, December 18, 1884. 2135

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Hongkong, January 8, 1885. 40

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Hongkong, March 4, 1885. 374

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Hongkong, March 4, 1885. 376

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To LET.

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This recall of the late General Earle's column to Korti, announced in the telegram received to-day, implies that Lord Wolesley is determined to deal carefully with the 'power of the Malibî'. It is to be hoped that preliminary precaution may be followed later on by a crushing blow, dealt with the entire forces at Wolesley's disposal. The last we heard of Earle's column was on 13th Feb., when a complete defeat was inflicted on the rebels; the General (Earle) was killed, our loss was fifty killed and wounded, and that of the enemy was enormous. This action was supposed to have been fought somewhere near Metamah. There must be some mistake, however, about the recall being as far back as Korti, as that place is over a hundred miles North-West of Abu Klea, the scene of the later fighting. Lord Wolesley has a reputation for giving the enemy the wrong scent, and this may be a playful effort to mislead. We must wait for an explanation.

The circumstantial details given in the telegram received from Ningpo at noon to-day leaves little doubt that a reverse has been sustained by the French at Chinhai. It would be marvellous, indeed, if the French were entirely successful in every aggressive movement which they make; and probably there is nothing more in the incident than a damaged rudder, which necessitated the disabled vessel being towed out of range of the forts and cruisers. The Bayard is painted black, and the belief is that the Bayard is the vessel that has thus been disabled. If the damage is not repairable at sea, the incident will be rather inconvenient to the French Admiral. It is not at all likely, however, that this is the last we shall hear of the Chinhai business, as Admiral Courbet is not the man to allow a temporary disadvantage to stand in the way of carrying out his designs.

The annual auction of ponies after the race meeting took place this afternoon at the usual place, the fountain opposite the City Hall. There were not as many ponies brought to the hammer as has been the case for the last few years, only nineteen in all being put up for sale. The prices fetched by those sold were considerably higher than usual, the lowest figure accepted being \$21, and this was for an animal with badly broken knees. The first lot, Emperor, the winner of the Garrison Cup, at the late meeting, was knocked down to Mr J. Hughes for \$85, and eight or nine other ponies varying in price from \$30 to \$75 were also bought by Mr Hughes on behalf of a gentleman from Haliphong. Ambassador, the old Derby winner, Iris, the winner of the Consolation Stakes, and Prestissimo, winner of the Hack Stakes, were bought in at \$200 and \$150 respectively. The Camel and Yurte, which were ridden at the meeting by the Major and Mr Grant, fetched \$70 and \$65, the former being, we believe, bought by the C.C. There were no \$5 and \$10 ponies to get this time.

It has puzzled many why the Chinese cruisers and the Celestial vessels of war generally have done so little lately in the way of fighting. That Chinese soldiers are frequently brave enough in their own way, has been demonstrated clearly enough before now, under other circumstances than those attending the Ever-victorious Army under Chinese Gordon. But there are one or two considerations which must not be overlooked. The Chinese are now playing the waiting game, and are almost exclusively on the defensive. So far as Tonquin is concerned, and in a more marked degree in Formosa, the defensive attitude has been fairly successful. The details of the affair at Chihai, the general accuracy of which seems to be beyond dispute, are confirmatory of the view that the Chinese are not to be altogether despised. But the apparently cowardly conduct of the officers and crews of several of the Chinese vessels at Foochow, and the inaction or rapid retreat of the cruisers while their consorts were being destroyed, suggest that there is something wrong. And the cause is not far to seek. While say a hundred serviceable men are paid for on account of a Chinese war-vessel, probably about a third of that number are actually employed, and the balance of the money finds its way into the pockets of the paymasters and others concerned. So long, therefore, as the condition of the service, naval or military, is regarded as subservient to greed and the dishonesty of officials, so long will the Chinese be helpless when defending themselves in an emergency like the present. It appears monstrous that such things are possible, but the fact that such unscrupulous and unpatriotic proceedings are so general and widespread in all ranks, explains what to Western minds is so incomprehensible.

Mr Holt S. Hallett has arrived in Calcutta from Singapore. He will lay before the Government of India the results of his surveys and explorations in connexion with the proposal to connect the British Burma railway system with the kingdom of Siam.

JAMES GORDON BENNETT publishes an evening paper in New York called the *Telegraph* in which he does not tolerate a line of editorial, and some of those who have braced the reportorial duty of journalists are referring to this as the type of the coming newspaper. We should say that the newspaper of the future will publish any editorial articles depending upon whether it has any editorial ideas. Not until it becomes uninteresting to have

opinions will the expression of them go out of vogue. In Mr Bennett's case it is likely that he does not put any editorials into the *Telegraph* because he is able to say every thing he has to say in the editorial column of the *Herald*.—*Alta California*.

Says the *Straits Times*:—An accident to a P. & O. steamer is such an unusual occurrence, that the grounding of the *Chinese* is likely to attract more attention than, perhaps, the circumstances of the affair will fully justify. The last affair of the kind occurred in 1880, when the *Venice*, under the command of Captain Orman, went ashore at Toul Zoughor in the Red Sea, while going dead slow due to engine trouble. The crew were transferred to a passing steamer, but she was unfortunately disabled and took her own board at Aden. The promptness with which matters were set right on that occasion reflected the greatest credit on the Company. The Company, indeed, has not only enjoyed an enviable reputation for comparative immunity from accidents, but it has strengthened that reputation by the energy and promptness with which it has handled its great resources in any such emergency as the present.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the members of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. All the members were present except the Colonial Secretary, who is at present on leave in Amoy.

THE MARRIED WOMEN'S DISPOSITION OR PROPERTY ORDINANCE.

The Attorney General, in moving the first reading of this bill, said the object of it was to provide for the appointment of commissioners to receive the acknowledgments of married women who are about to dispose of their property in land. There is machinery for the purpose provided by a statute which is in force in this Colony, but the appointment of commissioners under that statute will be more fully and completely provided for by the provisions of this ordinance than they are at present. He should mention, perhaps, that the proper title of the bill was the 'Married Women's Disposition of Property Ordinance.'

The bill was read a first time, and the Attorney General gave notice that he should move that the Council go into Committee on the bill at next meeting.

THE BILLS OF EXCHANGE ORDINANCE.

It was intended that the Council should have gone into Committee on this bill at this meeting, but the Attorney General asked not to proceed with the consideration of the bill. He said the Council had ordered the bill to be printed with marginal notes, but owing to some mistake this had not been done.

THE ALLEGED OUTRAGE BY FRENCH MEN-OF-WAR IN HARBOUR.

The Hon. Wong Shing said:—I beg to give notice that at the next meeting of the council, I shall ask the following question:

'Whether any apology or explanation has been received from the French authorities for the reported outrage committed on the 18th February last, while the barge was being employed supplying coal to the French man-of-war *Duguay Trouin*.'

His Excellency—I may mention to the hon. gentleman that a report was made by the Police on that subject, and I simply caused the letter to be addressed to the French Consul, asking him to make an enquiry into the circumstances. I have received a reply from the French Consul, saying he is making enquiries, and will make a report as soon as possible.

That is the way the matter stands now. The hon. member had better give notice of his question, and I shall, perhaps, be able to give further information at the next meeting. I mean the matter has not been overlooked.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Council was then adjourned until next Wednesday, at four o'clock.

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

An adjourned meeting of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club was held in the Gymnasium of the Recreation Club yesterday evening, to elect a committee and make arrangements for the forthcoming sports. There was a large attendance, and among those present were Messrs Tripp, Foss, J. Francis, Dr. Pike, Leach, Leigh and Wood (Secretary). Mr Tripp took the Chair.

Proceedings were commenced by the meeting resolving to re-elect those members of last year's Committee who are at present in the Colony, giving them power to add to their number.

The next business discussed was as to the manner in which penalties should be imposed. The Secretary and Dr Pike thought the penalties were all too high; and other members thought that they should remain as they were. After a great many suggestions had been made, three propositions were made and seconded.

Mr F. Hazland proposed, and Mr Denton seconded, that there should be no penalty whatever in any event.

Mr Foss proposed and Mr F. Grindle seconded, that the present penalties stand as they are, and that a penalty be imposed on the person who runs in a 100 yards race, but not for less than one year.

Mr Denton proposed, and Mr G. Lamont seconded, that men who have been winners at home or elsewhere in any similar events to those in which they may be competing in Hongkong should be placed on the same footing as winners of races in this Colony.

Mr Cornish said fresh arrivals in the Colony who intended to compete in the sports should be asked by the Committees to send in a record of their performances at home or elsewhere.

An opinion was expressed by the Chairman, and Messrs Foss, Wood and Pike that there would be considerable difficulty in carrying out the plan proposed by Mr Cornish.

After some further conversation, the Chairman put Mr Foss' proposal, that there should be penalties, to the meeting first,

leaving the other matters to be decided later on. The proposal was carried almost unanimously.

The meeting then proceeded to decide on the amount of the penalties to be imposed.

100 Yards.—On the motion of Mr Foss, acceded by the Chairman, it was resolved, almost unanimously, that a penalty of 14 yards be imposed for each win.

Putting the Shot.—Mr Angier proposed that a half mile race be authorized for this event. Mr Jackson and others objected to this, and on the motion of Mr Barff, seconded by Mr Foss, the meeting decided that the penalty, one foot for previous wins, remain the same as it was before.

Long Jump.—Mr Leigh proposed, as concurred by Mr Angier, that the penalty remain six inches. Mr Hazland, seconded by Dr Pike, proposed an amendment that the penalty be reduced to three inches. The original proposal was carried.

100 Yards Flat Race.—Dr Pike proposed that the penalty be reduced from five yards to two and a half yards for each win. Mr Hazland seconded; but, on the motion of Mr Foss, seconded by Mr Barff, it was agreed to make the penalty five yards for the first win, and two and a half yards additional for every subsequent win.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—The penalty, five yards for each win, was allowed to remain as it was.

Quarter Mile Race.—In this event the penalty of ten yards for one win and fifteen for two, was also allowed to remain the same.

High Jump.—Two inches for one win and one inch additional for each succeeding win was allowed to remain as the penalty.

One Mile Flat Race.—Mr Hendry proposed that the penalties in this race be reduced from 100 to 50 yards for the first win, and from 150 to 75 yards for two wins.

Dr Pike seconded. It was, however, resolved, almost unanimously, that the penalties remain as they were.

Mr Cornish then renewed his proposition regarding the penalization of fresh arrivals.

Mr Barff, seconded by Mr Angier, proposed as an amendment, that all who have not competed before in the sports shall start on the same footing as winners.

Mr Foss said that would encourage any new man from entering at first; and Mr Leigh said that it would practically do away with anyone who had grown up in the Colony from competing.

Mr Foss proposed, and Dr Pike concurred, that new-comers be not penalized in any event.

On the proposal being put to the meeting, that of Mr Cornish found most support, and was, therefore, carried.

The Secretary proposed that the sports be held under the rules of the Amateur Athletic Association of England. These had been adopted by all the clubs at home, and by adopting them here all trouble would be saved if any question arose.

Dr Pike seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr C. E. Holworthy proposed that a half mile race should be substituted for the Obstinate Race.

Dr Pike acceded.

Mr Foss proposed that there should be a half mile handicap and a sack race in lieu of the Obstinate Race.

Mr Francis seconded.

Mr Cornish proposed another amendment, and Mr A. H. Jackson seconded, that there should be a half mile handicap and a sack race in lieu of the Obstinate Race.

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Mr Francis altered his proposal, as suggested, but it was rejected by 15 to 14, and 'putting the shot' was left in as one of the events.

Mr Francis proposed that in the Veteran Race the conditions should be that the competitors be over 35 years and over 5 years in the East.

The Chairman seconded.

Mr Foss suggested that they should make the conditions, over 35 years of age, and over 10 years in the East.

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Mr Wood proposed that there should be a short handicap race for those who could run 100 yards but could not win the race, say 120 yards, or 200 yards.

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